

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL MEMORANDUM

SB 179 – HB 173

March 15, 2013

SUMMARY OF ORIGINAL BILL: Deletes the Hazardous Chemical Right to Know Law established in Tenn. Code Ann. § 50-3-2001. Requires each employer to comply with the requirements of the Occupational Safety and Health Administration's federal Hazard Communication Standard. Adds additional requirements regarding the communication of information to employees, employee training, providing information to fire chiefs, signage on buildings, and the completion of a workplace chemical list.

FISCAL IMPACT OF ORIGINAL BILL:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

SUMMARY OF AMENDMENTS (003565, 004212): Amendment 003565 corrects a typographical error in the original bill by deleting the word "workforce" and replacing it with the word "workplace" in reference to the chemical list. Amendment 004212 corrects an error by adding the word "employer" where it was erroneously omitted.

FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL WITH PROPOSED AMENDMENTS:

Unchanged from the original fiscal note.

Assumptions for the bill as amended:

- According to the Department of Labor and Workforce Development, there will be no fiscal impact associated with replacing current state law with federal law.
- According to the Department of Commerce and Insurance, there will be no impact on the Fire Prevention Division or the Department.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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Lucian D. Geise, Executive Director

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